



NAVY MEDICINE **FAST FACTS**

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ONE NAVY MEDICINE

Medical Corps + Hospital Corps + Nurse Corps + Dental Corps
Medical Service Corps + Civilian Corps

ACTIVE DUTY + RESERVE + CIVILIAN

SUPPORTING 2 SERVICES

OPERATING ABOVE, ON, AND BELOW THE SURFACE

MISSION

As a Maritime Medical Force, we develop and deliver **manned, trained, equipped, maintained, and certified** medical forces that force develop, generate, and preserve the Naval human weapons system.

FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2024 CAMPAIGN ORDER



Rear Admiral Darin Via, Acting Surgeon General, released the **FY24 Campaign Order** detailing specific actions Navy Medicine is taking to align its people and platforms in order to enhance warfighter health, wellness, and performance. The Campaign Order spells out concrete and measurable tasks that advance and strengthen our people and the platforms we operate from as we sail toward our **North Star**.

NORTH STAR

Navy Medicine will deliver agile, trained, and certified medical units to provide enduring support to the Fleet, Fleet Marine Force, and Joint Forces in high-end competition, crisis, and combat. Navy Medicine will be organized to facilitate all phases of **Force Development, Force Generation, Force Preservation, and the full restoration of the warfighter.**

OPERATIONAL ORDER FOCUS

**Capability Development • Quality of Care • Talent Management • Communications Strategy • Resourcing
Naval Force Readiness • Training • Manpower/Personnel • Sustainment • Readiness/Operations • Organization**

FY24 EXECUTION SUMMARY

- Medical TYCOMs focus on **manning, training and equipping** Expeditionary Medical (EXMED) units
- Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities will be **monitored and assessed**
- Retention, advancement, and leadership pathway management reflecting **operational alignment**
- EXMED units will conduct **training and readiness exercises**
- Coordinated all-echelon alignment on **operational design** for the **Navy Medicine Enterprise**
- The care we provide in Military Treatment Facilities (MTFs) remains **critical** to the **success of the Navy**

1. SITUATION
THIS IS THE FY24 NAVY MEDICINE CAMPAIGN ORDER. FUNCTIONAL TASKS WILL BE EXECUTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE M-LEADERSHIP AND THIS WILL BE PROMULGATED BY REF IN ORDER TO (NOT) ACHIEVE FULL OPERATIONAL CAPABILITY MODERNIZATION AND EXPANDED UNIT CAPABILITY BY OCTOBER 1, 2027. FUNCTIONAL TASKS TO BE COMPLETED BY QUARTER WILL BE GIVEN BY THE SURGEON GENERAL TO THE NAVAL MEDICINE ENTERPRISE TO ACCOMPLISH A MARITIME MEDICAL OPERATIONAL DESIGN OF NAVY MEDICINE BY 2027. THE SURGEON GENERAL, AS CHIEF OF NAVAL MED, HAS MARKED LOGS DIRECTLY WITHIN THIS ORDER. SUBSEQUENT FISCAL YEARS (FY) WILL BEGIN WITH A NEW CAMPAIGN ORDER TO ACHIEVE A READY MEDICAL FORCE IN SUPPORT OF DISTRIBUTED MARITIME OPERATIONS.

2. MISSION
THE NAVAL MEDICINE ENTERPRISE WILL EFFECTIVELY RECRUIT, ORGANIZE, TRAIN, EQUIP, SUSTAIN, AND CERTIFY OPERATIONAL MEDICAL UNITS AND FORCES ENABLING WARFIGHTING READINESS FOR THE FLEET, FLEET MARINE FORCE, AND JOINT FORCE EMPLOYMENT NO LATER THAN SEPTEMBER 2027.

3. EXECUTION
3.A. PURPOSE TO PREPARE AND POSTURE NAVY MEDICINE FOR SUSTAINED MEDICAL SUPPORT IN HIGH-END COMPETITION, CRISIS, AND COMBAT. NAVY MEDICINE WILL DELIVER MANAGED, TRAINED, EQUIPPED, SUSTAINED, AND CERTIFIED MEDICAL UNITS TO PROVIDE ENDURING SUPPORT TO THE FLEET, FLEET MARINE FORCE, AND JOINT FORCES IN HIGH-END COMPETITION, CRISIS, AND COMBAT.

3.B. METHOD: THIS ORDER EFFECTS THE ANNUAL ENTERPRISE-WIDE FOUNDATIONAL CHANGE TO MEET THE OPERATIONAL REQUIREMENTS OF THE GEOGRAPHIC AND FUNCTIONAL COMMANDS, THEIR COMPONENT COMMANDS, AND THE NAVAL FORCE BY 2027. IT WILL BE FOLLOWED EACH YEAR BY ANNUAL CAMPAIGN ORDERS, QUARTERLY PRELIMINARY ORDERS, AND UPDATES TO NAVY MEDICINE LEADERSHIP ON THE PROGRESS OF NAVY MEDICINE PRIOR TO OPERATIONAL DESIGN. THE CAMPAIGN ORDER IS ORGANIZED INTO SUPPORTING EFFORTS TO THE ACTING SURGEON GENERAL'S 4 LINES OF EFFORT, TAGGED BY QUARTER. THE INVOLVEMENT AND ACTIVE CONTRIBUTION OF FLEET STAFF-LEADERS AND NON-MEDICAL COUNTERPARTS IS A CRUCIAL ELEMENT TO THE EXECUTION OF A SUCCESSFUL AND EFFICIENT TRANSFORMATION.

3.C. END STATE: BY 2027, NAVY MEDICINE WILL DELIVER AGILE, SCALABLE, TRAINED, AND CERTIFIED MEDICAL UNITS TO PROVIDE ENDURING SUPPORT TO THE FLEET, FLEET MARINE CORPS, AND JOINT FORCES IN HIGH-END COMPETITION, CRISIS, AND COMBAT. NAVY MEDICINE WILL BE ORGANIZED TO FACILITATE ALL PHASES OF FORCE DEVELOPMENT, FORCE GENERATION, FORCE PRESERVATION, AND FULL RESTORATION OF THE WARFIGHTER.

3.D. TASKS
3.D.1. LINE OF EFFORT (LOE) 1: DELIVER EXPEDITIONARY MEDICAL SYSTEMS (EMEDS), MANAGED, TRAINED, EQUIPPED, SUSTAINED, AND CERTIFIED CAPABILITIES FOR DISTRIBUTED MARITIME OPERATIONS (DMO) TO SUPPORT FLEET WIDE.

3.D.1.A. CAPABILITY DEVELOPMENT: THE FY24 END STATE FOR THIS SUPPORTING EFFORT IS THE DEVELOPMENT, DESIGN, AND DELIVERY OF THE EMEDS SYSTEM (EMEDS), EXPEDITIONARY RESURGATIVE SURGICAL SYSTEM (ERSS), EXPEDITIONARY MEDICAL UNIT (EMU), EXPEDITIONARY MEDICAL FACILITY (EMF), FORWARD DEPLOYABLE PREVENTIVE MEDICINE UNIT (FPMU), EXPEDITIONARY MEDICAL SHIP (EMS), AND THE



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NAVY MEDICINE LAUNCHES NEW CAPABILITIES HANDBOOK



- In September 2023, BUMED released the latest edition of the Naval Operational Medicine Capabilities Handbook. This ready reference identifies capabilities of various medical platforms designed to increase the survivability and return to duty as quickly as possible.
- The Capabilities Handbook is accessible through the MEDRED App available at: <https://apps.apple.com/ca/app/medred/id1520261768>



BEIRUT BOMBING, 23 OCTOBER 1983 40TH ANNIVERSARY



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LT John Hudson, MC, USN of Riverdale, Georgia
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HMI Ronny K. Bates of Aiken, South Carolina
HM2 William B. Foster, Jr. of Richmond, Virginia
HM2 James Ellis Faulk of Panama City, Florida
HM2 Michael H. Johnson of Detroit, Michigan
HM2 Marion E. Kees of Martinsburg, West Virginia
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HM3 Robert S. Holland of Gilbertsville, Kentucky
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HN Jimmy R. Cain of Birmingham, Alabama
HN Bryan L. Earle of Painesville, Ohio
HN William D. Elliott of Lancaster, Pennsylvania

- In the summer of 1982, at the request of the Lebanese government, the United States agreed to establish a peacekeeping force in the conflict between warring factions.
- On March 24, 1983, the 24th Marine Amphibious Unit (later Marine Expeditionary Unit), stationed at Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, received orders to Beirut, Lebanon to support U.S. commitment.
- At 6:20 a.m. on **23 October 1983**, a truck bomb detonated outside the First Battalion, Eighth Marines Landing Team Headquarters (1/8 Battalion Landing Team) at the Beirut International Airport. The resulting blast killed **241** American personnel stationed there (220 Marines, 18 Navy Sailors and three Soldiers).
- Two Navy dentists attached to the 24th Marine Amphibious Unit (MAU)-2, LTs (later CAPTs) Gilbert U. Bigelow and James. J. Ware, survived the attack and immediately went into action mustering personnel to provide emergency medical assistance. Bigelow and Ware treated **65 casualties** in the first two hours following the explosion, and prepared their patients for evacuation to ships offshore for further medical treatment. Both Ware and Bigelow would later be awarded Bronze Stars for their tireless efforts in the wake of the tragedy.
- MAU Dental Technicians DT3 Richard Fly and HN Manuel Bernal provided essential medical treatment throughout the ordeal. And medical teams from USS Iwo Jima (LPH-2) would later report to the scene providing additional critical support.

THEY CAME IN PEACE--REMEMBERING THE FALLEN

- Among the 18 Sailors killed in the bombing were **15** Hospital Corpsmen and **one** Navy Medical Officer.
- The names of these fallen Medical Department personnel were later memorialized in granite on the Beirut Memorial at the Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune, Jacksonville, N.C.
- The 40th Beirut Memorial Observance Ceremony at Lejeune Memorial Gardens in Jacksonville, N.C., at **9:35 a.m. EDT on Oct. 23, 2023**. Webcast can be seen through Defense Visual Information Distribution Service (DVIDS) at: <https://www.dvidshub.net/webcast/32775>